While active support and sponsorship of terrorism by Pakistan continues, there are no specific reports to corroborate the directions referred to in part (b) of the question.

Additional troops have been inducted into J&K and are kept ready to react to any misadventure Pakistan may undertake along the Border in J&K.

Developing indigenous Technology of vital system

3372. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:
MISS MABEL REBELLQ:
SHRI SURESH KALMADI:
MSS FRIDA TOPNO:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to inordinate delay by the DRDO in develpoing indigenous technology for vital systems of the Sukhoi-30 fighters has badly affected the supply of these fighters by Russia;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of alternate arrangements made by the Defence Ministry to procure these vital systems to make the fighters updated as intended to be?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Question does not arise.

Projects delayed because of developing indigenous technology

3373. MISS MABEL REBELLO:
MISS FRIDA TOPNO:
SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to inordinate delay in developing indigenous technology by DRDO for vital systems it has affected major projects;

(b) if so, the details of the projects thus affected during the last five years; and

(c) the steps taken/being proposed to be taken to complete these projects?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b) Delay in developing state-of-the-art technologies indigenously has affected development of light combat aircraft (LCA), remotely piloted vehicle (RPV)